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In re Application of:

SENN-BILFINGER et al.

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Title: **PRODRUGS OF IMIDAZOPYRIDINE DERIVATIVES**

(This is a Continuation application of USSN 10/182,619 filed October 1, 2002 which is a 371 of PCT/EP01/03514 filed on 3-28-2001, which claims the priority of EP 00106695.0, filed on 3-29-2000.)

TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Submitted herewith for filing in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is the following:

- (1) Transmittal Letter;
- (2) Filing Form For Continuation U.S. Patent Application;
- (3) Continuation application including:
 - 56 Pages Application Consisting of:
 - 1 Cover Page containing the Abstract,
 - 47 Pages of Textual Specification,
 - 8 Pages of 10 Claims,
 - 0 sheets of drawings;
- (4) **Preliminary Amendment with Appendix A, B and C;**
- (5) Copy of executed Declaration from parent application;
- (6) Copy of Assignment with Notice of Recordation;
- (7) Check No. 20841 \$ 856.00 for filing fee and extra independent claim;
- (8) Postcard for early notification of serial number.

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1. This is a Request for filing a
- ☒ Continuation Application under:
 - ☒ 37 CFR § 1.53(b)(1)
 - ☐ Divisional Application under:
 - ☐ 37 CFR § 1.53(b)(1)
 - ☐ Continuation-In-Part (CIP) application
 - ☐ 37 CFR § 1.53(b)(2)

of **prior** ("parent") application:

Serial No. 10/182,619
Filed: October 01, 2002
Entitled: **PRODRUGS OF IMIDAZOPYRIDINE DERIVATIVES**

Which is a 371 of **prior International** application:

Serial No. PCT/EP01/03514
Filed: March 28, 2001
Entitled: **PRODRUGS OF IMIDAZOPYRIDINE DERIVATIVES**

2. X *Enclosed for application under 37 CFR §§ 1.53(b) are:
56 pages of text (cover sheet, specification, claims,
abstract)
10 claims
0 sheets of drawings

3. The **present** application names the following inventor(s):

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 (37 CFR § 1.53--"CIP") The above-identified application (in which no payment of the Issue Fee, abandonment of or termination of proceedings has occurred) is hereby expressly abandoned as of the filing date of this new application.

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	NUMBER OF CLAIMS FILED		NUMBER OF EXTRA CLAIMS	RATE	FEE		RATE	FEE
TOTAL	14	minus 20	0	x9=	0		x18=	0
INDEP	4	minus 3	1	x43=			x86=	86
BASE FILING FEE:				+385=			+770=	770
<u>xx</u> Multiple Dependent Claims				+140=	0		+290=	0
				TOTAL		OR	TOTAL	856

 Applicant(s) is/are a "small entity". A Verified Statement Claiming Small Entity Status:
 was filed in the parent application, and small entity status is still proper and desired (Rules 60, 62 only);
 is filed herewith;
 will be filed at a later date.

X A check including the above-indicated filing fee is enclosed.

X A Petition for Extension of Time (to keep the parent case pending) is filed concurrently in the parent case.

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— If extensions of time under 37 CFR § 1.136 other than those provided herewith are required to prevent abandonment of the parent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned to allow copendency of the parent and the present continuing application. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge fee deficiency under 37 CFR § 1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 14-0112.

X The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency under 37 CFR §§ 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 14-0112.

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